

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/812,560

Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to arguments filed 2/9/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-42, 48 and 49 (now claims 1-8, 13-14, 20, 9-12, 15-19, 21-28, 33-34, 40, 29-32, 35-39, 48-49 and 41-42, respectively).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. In response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2006, applicant submitted an amendment filed on February 9, 2007, in which the applicant canceled all of the currently rejected claims without prejudice to thereby place the application in condition for allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-42 and 48-49 are allowed.

Regarding claim 1, 21 and 41-42, they recite a system, method, apparatus and computer medium for indexing electronic information. Prior art such as Cooley and Greene recite similar configurations, but fails to teach the combination of an authoring module and a retrieval module wherein a system user utilizes the authoring procedure to dynamically create unique text data description that serve as labels for subsequently comparing to a separate spoken data request in the retrieval procedure. As for Green and Cooley, they recite a method, system, apparatus and computer medium that is limited to teaching only a single process of converting input speech into captioning text. That is the system fails to teach that a system user separately creates both "text data description" and "a text data request" for comparison purposes during the claimed "retrieval procedure."

Dependent claims 2-20, 22-40 and 48-49 are allowed because they further limit their parent claims.

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Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jakieda R. Jackson whose telephone number is 571-272-7619. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 5:00p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Hudspeth can be reached on 571-272-7843. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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